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Applicants: KHANDROS et al.

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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
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Art Unit: 1725

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

BOX INITIAL PATENT EXAMINATION DIV.
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Notice Of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) mailed June 13, 2001, and the Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application, mailed February 20, 2001 or until May 20, 2001.

Enclosed is a check for \$780.00 to pay the three-month extension fee in accordance with Rule 1.17(a)(1) (\$890.00 less \$110.00 paid for a three month extension fee already paid in this case in connection with a Petition for Extension of Time filed May 11, 2001 in response to a Notice Of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional) mailed May 1, 2001).

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The Commissioner of Patents is authorized to charge any amount due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0639. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,



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